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Miladi's Easter Gown

In the sum and substance of life to many women. While it is the acme of happiness to others, it is the subject of much discussion to most of

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Not the lowest priced, but one of the popular prices we quote. There are six or eight different lines and weaves, such as jacquards, serges, poplins, checks and lustrous—in every one of the spring shades—37 to 44 inches wide.

Thirty-seven inch corded plaids—bright new styles, such as are extensively used for Misses' Skirts—

35c Yard.

LUSTRES, SICILIANS AND MOHAIRS, all of the same family, yet each with its own distinct identity—have some plain, others figured—all handsome in finish—

48c to \$1.50 yard.

In colors and blacks.

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for tailor-made suits—there's no discriminating broadcloth, although worsteds of many kinds vie with them for first place—the new blue for spring, together with all other colors and black—

75c to \$2.75 yard.

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French Organdies, Dotted and Embroidered Swisses, Corded Gingham, Zephyrs, Satins, Percales and Welts.

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The Result.

Ladies appreciate our efforts to obtain confined Shirt Waist patterns. We have at this time over "700" clippings of the newest and best things—25c to 60¢ c per yard.

Men's Custom Shirts.

Quite a few shirt orders have been taken with satisfactory results as to fit and general "GET UP." Among them old-time kickers, who never had a satisfactory fit. Prices from \$2.50 to \$4.00.

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THE NATIONAL DEAL

Discussed in Local Financial and Industrial Circles.

EFFORT TO ACQUIRE WHEELING

Steel and Iron Company's Plants is Still on and Seems Likely to be Successful—Seven Concerns in the Combine up to Date—Two Wheeling men Chosen Directors—The Sale of the Jefferson to the LaBelle.

The closing of the deal by which seven of the large steel plants of the central west are acquired by the National Steel Company, was the principal topic of conversation in local financial and industrial circles yesterday. Already two local concerns, the Bellaire and Aetna-Standard plants, are acquired, and the opinion is general that the Wheeling Steel & Iron Company's plants will become a part of the combine's holdings within a few days.

Of the board of directors, two members are Wheeling men, A. M. Carter, vice president of the Bellaire Steel Company, and John A. Topping, president of the Aetna-Standard Steel & Iron Company. A third member of the board, W. T. Graham, was formerly president of the Aetna-Standard, and is now second vice president of the American Tin Plate Company, with headquarters at Chicago.

The directors discuss the close relations of the American Tin Plate Company and the National Steel Company. Of the seven members, four are directors of the American Tin Plate.

The mill owners were paid the money that figured in the several deals, at Chicago on Monday, and it is said the stockholders of both the Bellaire and Aetna-Standard companies will be paid before the end of the present week. The company is authorized to issue \$20,000,000 stock, of which \$2,000,000 is 7 per cent cumulative preferred, and \$18,000,000 common. To the present time an issue of \$20,000,000 has been made, of which \$2,000,000 is preferred and \$18,000,000 common. On Monday at Chicago the common stock was traded in to the extent of \$7,500 shares. It opened at 35, advanced to 39½ and closed at 38. Of the preferred stock, there were subscriptions for 5,340 shares; it opened at 35, advanced to 38½ and closed at 38½.

The plants in the combine and their capacity are as follows:

Tin-plate bars, steel billets, etc.	No. and capacity tons per month.	Blast furnaces, No. and capacity tons per month.
Ohio Steel Co., 1,500	2	40,000
Aetna-Standard Iron and Steel Co., 1,000	3	15,000
Shenando Valley	2	15,000
Bellaire Steel Co., 1,200	2	15,000
King, Gilbert & Warner	2	15,000
Bohl Steel Co., 400	2	5,000
Union Iron and Steel Co., 400	2	5,000
Total daily capacity, 5,400		100,000
Annual capacity, 1,600,000		1,300,000

The Union Iron and Steel Company is a finishing plant.

The Jefferson Sale.

The purchase of the Jefferson iron works property by the La Belle iron works stockholders, has lent new life to business financial and industrial affairs in Steubenville. There is much joy felt over the purchase among nailers who see in all probability that the cut nail business, which has been dead there for twelve years, will now be revived. The Jefferson furnace, which has been operated for a year under lease from the receiver, by the Aetna-Standard people, will no doubt be operated by the purchasers, as the lease was cancelled yesterday by order of the court.

The sale to the La Belle iron works was confirmed by court yesterday, and Receiver Wallace is ordered to pay the bonds and interest. The bonds are in the hands of T. A. Hammond, of Steubenville, as trustee, and are held by Steubenville and Wheeling banks. They are for \$50,000, with interest. The total indebtedness is \$111,000 and this leaves very little for the stockholders of a mill whose \$100 shares have sold for \$250. D. J. Sinclair, the banker who made the purchase for the La Belle, yesterday purchased a tract of land north of the mill, which has belonged to Lewis Anderson, and a tract south of the furnace belonging to Levi Myers. This gives the La Belle a large stretch of land for "expansion" and although it is not stated authoritatively, it is given out that the La Belle intends to make some extensive improvements. They will operate the rolling mill and will start it as soon as possible. They will no doubt go ahead with the furnace which is one of the best equipped in this valley. How soon they will start the manufacture of cut nails is not known, but from hints dropped, it will not be long until they will be "nipping" again.

President John E. Wright, of the La Belle iron works, and Mr. A. J. Clarke, one of the directors, were in Steubenville yesterday on business connected with the purchase of the Jefferson plant.

Accident on the Elm Grove.

A serious collision occurred on the Wheeling & Elm Grove railway yesterday morning about 10 o'clock, which involved a property loss to the company. A thrown switch at the barns at the park, resulted in a motor crashing into a gravel car, the force of the collision knocking in one side of the building, and the building falling on the car, which was in the shed to be fitted up, through the building into the adjoining field. The new car was seriously damaged. The motorman jumped when he saw that the collision was inevitable.

Elks to Initiate.

The Elks will have a big time this evening at their hall, in the Rogers block, on Main street. The mysteries of the order will be disclosed to twelve tenderfeet, and the traditional banquet will cut the usual large figure in the surroundings. Great preparations have been made for the event, which promises to be on a par with the successes of the many similar gatherings in the past.

Held for Grand Jury.

Squire Greer yesterday held for the grand jury, a young man named Ed. Darby, who pleaded guilty to charges of burglary, preferred by W. H. Baughner and Charles Seltzer, of the Island. Baughner was relieved of a gold watch and chain on December 30, and last Sunday night Seltzer was victimized to the extent of \$35 in cash.

REV. E. EDWARDS, pastor of the English Baptist church at Minersville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any sufferer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me." For sale by druggists.

MY entire stock of confections, bakers' and ice cream makers' tools, lot of ice cream tables and chairs and other confection supplies, will be sold cheap. GEO. L. DURST.

HEART DISEASE.

Some Facts Regarding the Rapid Increase of Heart Troubles.

Do not be Alarmed, but Look for the Cause.

Heart troubles, at least among the Americans, are certainly increasing and while this may be largely due to the excitement and worry of American business life, it is more often the result of weak stomachs or poor digestion.

Real organic disease is incurable; but not one case in a hundred of heart trouble is organic. The close relation between heart trouble and poor digestion is because both organs are controlled by the same great nerves, the sympathetic and pneumogastric.

In another way, also, the heart is affected by the form of poor digestion, which causes gas and fermentation from half-digested food. There is a feeling of oppression and heaviness in the chest caused by pressure of the distended stomach on the heart and lungs, interfering with their action; hence arises palpitation and short breath.

Poor digestion also poisons the blood, making it thin and watery, which irritates and weakens the heart. The most sensible treatment for heart trouble is to improve the digestion and to insure the prompt assimilation of food.

This can be done by the regular use after meals of some safe, pleasant and effective digestive preparation, like Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which may be found at most drug stores and which contain valuable, harmless digestive elements in a pleasant, convenient form. It is safe to say that the regular, persistent use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at meal time will cure any form of stomach trouble except cancer of the stomach.

Full sized package of these tablets sold by druggists at 50 cents. Little book on stomach troubles mailed free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

In Clerk Robertson's Office.

Robert L. Prall qualified as administrator of the Stephen Green estate, with T. C. Moffat as surety, giving bond in the sum of \$200.

George E. Boyd qualified as administrator of the Matilda Botsford estate, bond, \$5,000, with Emma P. Boyd and Clinton M. Botsford as sureties.

Marriage licenses were issued to the following:

Charles H. Israel, aged twenty-three, and Adaline A. Wincher, aged twenty, of Wheeling.

Jesse B. Meyer, aged forty-seven, of St. Clairsville, Ohio, and Caroline E. Schriver, aged twenty-four, of Wheeling.

The following transfers of real estate were recorded:

Deed made February 23, 1899, by W. H. Giesey and wife, to Henry Kraft; consideration, \$2,200; transfers lot 87 in Park View.

Deed made February 27, 1899, by Catherine Hammond (widow), to Lewis M. Edmundson; consideration, \$1,000; transfers east half of lot 1, block 1, old fair grounds addition.

Three deeds of trust were recorded.

"Sixth Ward Gang."

An evening paper sought to make a sensation out of the accident which befell James Farley, in the Sixth ward, Friday night. Farley's head was injured by a fall on the pavement on Main street, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets, and was removed to his home in the city ambulance. The unreliable evening paper came forth a few days afterward in startling headlines, "Who Hit Farley?" then going on to allege that he was set upon and beaten by a "Sixth ward gang." As the affair was an accident pure and simple, interested parties desire it so stated.

News from the Klondike.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 28.—Advices from Dawson says that men are dying of scurvy in the suburbs of that city. Recently John McPhail was found almost dead in a tent on Victoria gulch. His food was gone and he was waiting for death, unable to do anything to help himself. His partner had been taking care of him, but was stricken with scurvy and hastened to Dawson for medical aid. The gold commissioner at Dawson has just made the important ruling that "a person locating a claim and after prospecting it finds it a blank or unprofitable, he can make an affidavit to that effect and regain his right to locate again on unoccupied grounds in that district. Heretofore a person lost his right after recording.

Fatality at a Fire.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—During a fire in an apartment house on Columbus avenue, this morning, Mary E. Prouty, a widow, was instantly killed by jumping to the ground from her apartments on the fifth floor. Richard Hyden, fireman, was slightly injured by falling three stories from a fire escape.

Quaker Oats Breakfast Porridge.

Use a double kettle, then there is no danger of burning. Always use freshly-boiling water, not water that has stood in the tea-kettle all night.

Salt the water to taste before putting the Rolled Oats in.

Stir one part Quaker Oats into two parts freshly-boiling water. Be careful to stir in slowly, so that the porridge may be kept free from lumps and each grain thoroughly scalded. Boil twenty minutes to half an hour, and if you can allow the time, let the porridge simmer on the stove for half an hour longer. It will have all the more flavor.

Do not stir at all while cooking if a double boiler is used. Keep your kettle covered. Milk can be used instead of water if preferred, or half milk and half water. Serve hot with sugar and cream or syrup as preferred.

A Frightful Blunder

Will often cause a horrible burn, scald, cut or bruise. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures old sores, fever sores, ulcers, boils, felons, corns, all skin eruptions. Best picture cure on earth. Only 25 cents a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Logan Drug Co., druggists.

DON'T forget the supper at U. P. Church Thursday evening. Price 35 cents.

GO to No. 2137 Market street for your Groceries, in charge of the William H. Cooke Circle of King's Daughters, Friday and Saturday.

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Our \$10.00 Satin Lined Covert Coat cannot be bought elsewhere under \$12.50.

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Strictly One Price.

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AUTHORITIES ACTIVE

In Efforts to Ferret out the West Liberty Mystery—No Tangible Clues of the Gang who Assaulted and Robbed the Papes.

There were no developments yesterday in the West Liberty sensation, except that the reward of \$500 offered for the arrest and conviction of the gang that assaulted and robbed Henry and Fritz Pape has had the effect of spurring on the efforts to detect the guilty parties. The Pape homestead, on Short creek, about three miles from West Liberty, was visited yesterday by county and city officials, and amateur sleuths in search of a clue.

Sheriff Richards and Prosecuting Attorney Meyer yesterday afternoon drove out to the scene, and acquainted themselves with the details of the occurrence. Deputy Sheriff Lyle and two of Chief Clemens' men were also looking up information, while a number of others unofficially interested interrogated the victims and their neighbors. It is said the officers have clues to the identity of the three masked men, but believing that evidence must be secured to substantiate any claims, they are properly reticent in "talking for publication." The case is clothed in mystery, yet there are hopes of landing the guilty ones.

The Papes have ascertained their loss of money to be exactly \$370.70. This sum was hidden in two different places, which the brothers felt resigned to reveal after being attacked so brutally, and they are thankful for getting off with their lives. Henry Pape's nose, which was slit by a blow of a club, is his most serious injury and it is a question but what he may lose that organ, for while a physician has stitched it, there are fears that it will not heal. Indignation over the affair does not decrease a whit, and the community will rejoice when the three fiends are brought to justice.

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Apple Blossom Whiskey, 50c qt.; doz. \$5.00; Gal. \$1.50	
Violet Whiskey, 45c " " 7.00; " 2.00	
Chestnut Whiskey, 75c " " 8.00; " 2.50	
Finch, 5 year, \$1.00 " " 10.00; " 3.00	
Gibson, 5 year, 1.00 " " 10.00; " 3.00	
Guckenhelm, 5 year, 1.00 " " 10.00; " 3.00	
Overholt, 5 year, 1.00 " " 10.00; " 3.00	
Finch, 10 year, 1.25 " " 12.00; " 4.50	
Gibson, 10 year, 1.50 " " 15.00; " 5.00	

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